

BUSINESS GRADUATE PROGRAMS

MBA ONLINE PROGRAM

The JSU MBA Online program is designed to develop students in all the functional areas of business and economics from an applications standpoint, to train them in business research methodology and to prepare them for professional management positions. Additionally, the MBA Online program is designed to enable working adults to obtain a quality education while still maintaining their commitments to family and work. The flexibility associated with online learning is paramount in the opportunity it brings to diverse populations, worldwide, traditional and non-traditional, to engage in academic pursuits at their own pace and a study schedule suitable to their individual needs and availability.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate Application for Admission
- 2 official copies of transcripts from all institutions attended.
- International applicants or those with degrees from international institutions must have their transcripts translated, if needed, and evaluated from a reputable international transcript evaluation agency;
- A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university;
- Official copy of GMAT or GRE scores (Only scores of tests completed within the last 5 years are acceptable). This requirement may be waived for the following groups of applicants:
 - a) those with a doctorate degree (Ph.D., Ed.D., J.D., etc.) from a university accredited by a major regional accreditation agency, or
 - b) those with an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale and a master's degree from a university accredited by a major regional accreditation agency.
- Application fee of \$25.00 for non-Mississippi residents;
- Official TOEFL scores (for international students only);
- Evidence of professional experience (submit a copy of an updated resume) or a personal statement describing the applicant's analytical skills, ability to work in groups and the reasons for pursuing the MBA.

To be eligible for regular graduate admission into the MBA Online program, applicants must have a composite score of 950 and must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 point scale. The composite score is computed as follows: Undergraduate GPA X 200 + GMAT = at least 950. For applicants submitting the GRE scores a GRE-GMAT conversion will be utilized to compute the composite score.

The JSU-MBA Online Curriculum

The program offers a curriculum similar to that of the traditional, on-campus MBA program and delivers courses compatible with the traditional program. All courses are taught by current JSU College of Business faculty. Similar to the traditional MBA program, the MBA Online curriculum consists of a total of 30 credit-hours of graduate business courses in the areas of accounting, economics, finance, management, marketing and business statistics. Students with a baccalaureate degree in business generally have met the undergraduate pre-requisites necessary prior to enrollment in the MBA curriculum. Students with undergraduate (and/or graduate degrees) outside business are required to complete a series of pre-requisite modules covering the general foundations of business knowledge.

The 30-hour curriculum is delivered over 5 eight-week terms, plus an inter-session, during a period of 12 calendar months. Students are expected to complete two courses or six credit hours during each eight-week term. The program is designed such that a cohort that begins the program in August of a given year can complete the program's requirements and earn the MBA degree in August of the following year. The course sequence is delivered as follows:

Introductory Session for non-business undergraduate degree holders

GB 500	Pre-Requisite Modules (designed for students without a bachelor in business)
MNGT 502	Human Relations and Organizational Behavior
ACC 501	Financial Statements Analysis
MKT 530	Managerial Marketing
ACC 540	Managerial Accounting
FIN 547	Investments
FIN 515	Managerial Finance
ECO 530	Managerial Economics
MNGT 516	Statistics for Business Decisions
MNGT 520	Advanced Production and Operations Management
MNGT 560	Seminar in Business Policy